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NOTICE OF COMMITTEE WORKSHOP, PREHEARING CONFERENCE & EVIDENTIARY HEARING

EL SEGUNDO MODERNIZATION PROJECT
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION, DOCKET 00-AFC-14

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Engineering
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Water Quality & Soils
Water Resources
Worker Safety
Visual Resources

The California El Segundo Committee (Committee) is reviewing an Application for Certification (AFC) by the EL Segundo Power II LLC to replace existing El Segundo Generating Station (ESGS) Units 1 and 2 in the City of El Segundo with a 630-megawatt, natural gas-fired, combined cycle electric generation facility.

The Committee will conduct a workshop covering all impacts of the proposed power plant. **The public and interested agencies are encouraged to attend and make comments on the topics to be discussed listed in the side bar.** Written comments on the workshop topics can be submitted to the Energy Commission, Docket Unit (00-AFC-14), 1516 - 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 before July 3, 2001.

Documents for Workshops:

The Applicant's information concerning the potential impacts as well as proposed conditions is found in its AFC and data responses. In addition, the staff of the Energy Commission has published an independent analysis in the Staff Assessment (SA). The Staff Assessment also evaluates potential project impacts, mitigation and proposed conditions of certification for each topic listed in the side bar.

The Staff Assessment is available in a printed version as well as for viewing on the Energy Commission Web Site:

www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/elsegundo

You can obtain a printed copy of the Staff Assessment by contacting James W. Reede, Jr., Project Manager, at 916-653-1245 or **jreede@energy.state.ca.us**

Workshop and Pre- Hearing Conference - Date & Place:

Tuesday, July 3, 2001
Beginning at 1:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers
El Segundo City Hall
350 Main Street
El Segundo, California

**Committee Workshop &
Prehearing Conference
– Purpose:**

The purpose of the workshop is to carefully examine public health and safety, environmental impacts and engineering aspects of the proposed power plant and all related facilities. The Committee is conducting a public workshop as an informal (non-legalistic) forum to have the Applicant, Staff, agencies, intervenors, and the public respond to the analyses of the proposed project. Participants in the Committee Workshop may be aided by the Staff Assessment (SA), which may be compared with the Applicant's AFC and proposed mitigation.

For the Committee, the goal is to attempt early consensus on undisputed matters; this could include a complete description of a potential project impact and satisfactory conditions or alternatives to mitigate the associated potential impact, all sufficient for inclusion in the Presiding Member's Proposed Decision.

Alternatively, any party to the proceeding (Applicant, Staff, or Intervenor) may indicate at the pre-hearing conference concluding the workshop that it cannot reach consensus on a matter and may seek to adjudicate a material dispute of fact in a subsequent, formal evidentiary hearing.

**Prehearing Conference
– Procedures:**

Prior to the conclusion of the workshop, the Committee will conduct a pre-hearing conference to assess readiness for evidentiary hearings, to identify areas of agreement and dispute, and discuss procedures for the evidentiary hearing. To present evidence that will become part of the record upon which the Proposed Decision is based, a person, group or agency must become an intervenor, also known as a "party" to the proceeding. (See below) **All Petitions to Intervene must be submitted no later than July 3, 2001.**

During the Prehearing Conference, the Hearing Officer will maintain a list of topics (See Appendix A) which will include, among other things, an indication of whether any party requests an opportunity to present evidence or cross-examine a witness on that topic and the nature of the expected testimony. Therefore, the filing and service of a Prehearing Conference Statement are optional for any party participating in the Prehearing Conference.

Any party intending to present a witness at the evidentiary hearing who is not present at the Prehearing Conference shall file and serve a statement identifying the issue to be presented and the name of the witness(s) on or before June 29, 2001.

**Becoming an
"Intervenor:"**

Anyone with a legitimate interest relevant to the siting of the proposed power plant may file a Petition to Intervene and become a formal party to this proceeding. Party status provides the rights to present independent evidence, receive pertinent documents, and cross-examine witnesses; it also imposes the duty to comply with various orders, procedures, and filing requirements, as well as be subject to cross-examination by other parties.

In this proceeding, a Petition to Intervene shall be filed **no later than July 3, 2001**. The Energy Commission, through its Public Adviser's office, will assist anyone interested in preparing a Petition to Intervene. Contact Roberta Mendonca, the Public Adviser at 916-654-4489 or toll-free 800-822-6228 or by e-mail at pao@energy.state.ca.us

**Evidentiary Hearings –
Dates and Place:**

**Monday, July 9, 2001 & (if needed) Wednesday, July 18, 2001
Beginning at 11:00 a.m.
City Council Chambers
El Segundo City Hall
350 Main Street
El Segundo, California**

**Evidentiary Hearing –
Procedures:**

Witnesses may appear by declaration instead of in person if the topic is uncontested. If a topic is contested, a witness must appear in person to testify under oath and may be subject to cross-examination by other parties. A party sponsoring an expert witness, either by declaration or in person, shall establish the witness' qualifications.

Uncontested and contested topics will be identified at the Prehearing Conference held on July 3, 2001. See Appendix A.

**Electronic Submission
of Evidence:**

To assist the Committee in the preparation of the Proposed Decision, each party submitting evidence to the record for the purpose of having the Committee rely upon it in making a finding shall submit that evidence in electronic, Word 97-compatible form not later than July 9, 2001.

Help:

800-822-6228
(toll free in California)

916-654-4489

Members of the public may participate in all phases of the licensing process in a variety of ways. If you need information concerning public participation, please contact Roberta Mendonca, the Energy Commission's Public Adviser, at 916-654-4489 or, toll free in California, at 800-822-6228, or by e-mail at: **pao@energy.state.ca.us**

Information concerning the status of the project, notices and other relevant documents are available on the Commission's Web Site at:

www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/elsegundo

Contacts:

Technical questions concerning the project should be addressed to the Energy Commission Staff's Project Manager, James W. Reede, Jr., at 916-653-1245 or e-mail at: **jreede@energy.state.ca.gov**

Questions of a legal or procedural nature should be directed to Garret Shean, the Hearing Officer, at 916-654-3893 or e-mail at: **gshean@energy.state.ca.us**

Media inquiries should be directed to Claudia Chandler, Assistant Executive Director for Media and Public Communications, at 916-654-4989 or by e-mail at: **energia@energy.ca.gov**

Dated: June 18, 2001

**ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND
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El Segundo AFC Committee

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Chairman and Associate Member
El Segundo AFC Committee

Appendix A

ORDER OF TOPICS

COMMITTEE WORKSHOP & PREHEARING CONFERENCE
JULY 3, 2001

TOPIC	HEARING REQUESTED? EXPLAIN ISSUE
Noise	
Biology	
Water Resources	
Water Quality & Soils	
Visual Resources	
Air Quality	
Alternatives	
Public Health	
Traffic/Trans	
Socioeconomic	
Land Use	
Trans. Sys. Eng.	
Trans. Line Safety	
Efficiency	
Geology	
Facility Design	
Reliability	
Worker Safety	
Cultural Resources	
Waste Management	
Hazardous Materials	
Compliance	